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BOSTON, MA — The Commission on Judicial Conduct invites public comments on proposed amendments to Commission on Judicial Conduct Rule 13. The proposed amendments call for a Rule 13A Direct Submission to the Supreme Judicial Court to be impounded rather than submitted under seal. The proposed amendments also clarify

that submissions made to the SJC under both Rule 13A or Rule 13B are immediately impounded until further order of the SJC.

Information: The proposed amendments are attached to this press release.

The Commission on Judicial Conduct welcomes all comments on the proposed amendments. Comments should be directed to the CJC by First Class mail addressed to Howard Neff, Executive Director, Commission on Judicial Conduct, 11 Beacon Street, Suite 525, Boston, MA 02018. Comments are due on or before January 17, 2020.

The comments received will be made available to the public. Following the public comment period, the Commission on Judicial Conduct will submit the proposed amendments and the public comments to the Supreme Judicial Court for approval, pursuant to G.L. c. 211C, sec. 3.

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